



Merging Waters Pastoral Charge Sunday Morning Worship

The Question

2nd Sunday After Pentecost

June 19th, 2022 10:30 am

Rev. Ryan Fea and Rev. Jennifer Mountain presiding
Michael Woytiuk Ministry of Music

WELCOME/BIENVENUE

People of all ages, identities, and walks of life
are welcome.

Wherever you are, whoever you are,
we welcome you in love and
community to worship.

Wherever we are, we're close in
one another's hearts.

*Toutes et tous sont bienvenus, peu importe l'âge,
l'identité ou les conditions de vie.*

*Peu importe où que vous soyez, qui
que vous soyez, nous vous accueillons dans
l'amour et la communauté pour*

louer Dieu ensemble.

Notre amour n'est jamais limité par la distance.

LIFE AND WORK OF THE PEOPLE

BOLD print indicates an invitation for congregational response and participation

ACKNOWLEDGING TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

We acknowledge that the lands our churches and many of our homes sit on have been stewarded by the first peoples of Turtle Island, among them the Kanien'kehá:ka, "Mohawk" peoples, as well as nations of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, the neighbouring Huron-Wendat, Anishinaabeg, and Abenaki peoples. We commit ourselves as a faith community to the multi-generational work of reconciliation, the pursuit of true justice and flourishing well-being for all peoples who now call Canada home.

THE LIGHT AT OUR CORE

light a candle at home if it is safe to do so

SPIRITUAL FOCUS

As a deer longs for flowing streams of water, our souls reach out to seek our God.

**Where is our God? In the cleansing of the rain,
in the refreshing of a pool, in the predictability of a faucet.**

With glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, our voices lift toward our God.

**Where is our God? In the melody of voices raised in concert,
in the stillness of silence, in the cacophony of spontaneous praise.**

As deep calls to deep, we come to worship the Living God.

**Where is our God? In the echoes of our prayers,
in the reverence of bowed heads, in the hope of raised faces.**

The Holy One-In-All is with us.



**Come and find the quiet centre
in the crowded life we lead,
find the room for hope to enter,
find the frame where we are freed:
clear the chaos and the clutter,
clear our eyes, that we can see
all the things that really matter,
be at peace, and simply be.**

**Silence is a friend who claims us,
cools the heat and slows the pace,
God it is who speaks and names us,
knows our being, face to face,
making space within our thinking,
lifting shades to show the sun,
raising courage when we're shrinking,
finding scope for faith begun.**

**In the Spirit let us travel,
open to each other's pain,
let our loves and fears unravel,
celebrate the space we gain:
there's a place for deepest dreaming,
there's a time for heart to care,
in the Spirit's lively scheming
there is always room to spare!**

PRAYER OF APPROACH

Holy Wisdom, we hear you calling us to gather and to hope in your name. Ignite sacred courage in us to proclaim the good news of justice from the comfort of the sanctuary to the public witness of the city gates. Inspire a compelling vision of a gracious, beloved, and empowered community that propels us to confront inequities, challenge privilege, and participate in your creative work in our time. Renew our hope for humanity so that we might rejoice in this inhabited world and delight in our siblings. Amen.

GOSPEL

1 Kings 19:1-4, (5-7), 8-15a

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there. But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty



days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus.

HYMN VOICES UNITED 658

O Love that wilt not let me go,

**O Love that wilt not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
that in thine ocean depths its flow
may richer, fuller be.**

**O Light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee;
my heart restores its borrowed ray,
that in thy sunshine's blaze its day
may brighter, fairer be.**

**O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
and feel the promise is not vain,
that morn shall tearless be.**

**O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
and from the ground there blossoms red
life that shall endless be.**

APPLICATION FOR TODAY

The Question

OFFERING

We offer our prayer, time, talent, reflections, and resources

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[Union Church](#) or [Beaurepaire United](#) through [CanadaHelps.org](#)

MUSICAL OFFERING

What the World Needs Now

words by Hal David, music by Burt Bacharach

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We give you thanks, God Our Help, for the abundance of the gifts you have planted in us as seeds that we may share in bloom. May these offerings be received and magnified for your glory.

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

THE JESUS PRAYER FOR TODAY

O Source of Life,

Connectedness beyond simple perception,

We hold our experience of you as sacred.

May we choose to live the good you call for,

In our actions as well as in our imaginings.

Nourish our bodies and spirits,

Inspiring us to share the abundance that we have.

Challenge us to show understanding and love for others

As we need to be understood and loved.

Help us overcome our shortcomings to be our best selves,

Through the faith that you have always shown in us.

May we all make it so.

Amen

HYMN MORE VOICES 150

Spirit of God, Be Our Breath

Spirit God: be our breath, be our song.

Blow through us, bringing strength to move on.

Our world seems inward, defensive, withdrawn...

Spirit God, be our song.

Patient God: soothe our pride, calm our fear.

Comfort us.

When we know you are near we grow more certain, our vision is clear.

Patient God, calm our fear.

Loving God: be our voice, be our prayer.

Reaching out, joining hands as we share,

We seek your guidance through friendship and care.

Loving God, be our prayer.

Spirit God: be our breath, be our song.

Blow through us, bringing strength to move on.

Through change, through challenge, we'll greet the new dawn.

Spirit God, be our song.



COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

MUSICAL SENDING

A Blessing for Ryan

melody by Noreen Nichol
words and arrangement by Michael Woytiuk

~ Thank you for joining in Worship today ~

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Welcome Grace Service Love
Community

UPCOMING SERVICES at 10:30 a.m.

June 19th. 2nd Sunday after Pentecost – 25 Fieldfare, Beaufort Village
June 26th. Ecumenical Outdoor Service – Worship with our neighbours outside of
Baie D'Urfé Town Hall.

Please consult the website and weekly announcements for details and links

www.mergingwaters.ca/Worship-online

Download the Zoom App at zoom.us/download



ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Final CHURCH CAFÉ

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87964312436>

Dial by your location
+1 438 809 7799 Canada
Meeting ID: 879 6431 2436
Friday June 25th @ 3 pm
Details and link at
www.mergingwaters.ca

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To The People of
Merging Waters

You have opened your hearts and let the Spirit's love overflow within this community of faith and out into the world!!

You make a difference every day!

Merging Waters Pastoral Charge -- A Community That Cares

Our Pastoral Care team is there to help you with your concerns.

- Ivy Lewis, Union Pastoral Care Chair: lewisir@hotmail.com
- For Beaufort United, the co-coordinating team of Diane Nener: dianenener@icloud.com; & Wendy Hamel: wendyandrewadam@yahoo.ca

We also have a Prayer Circle of members from both Union and Beaufort. If you have prayer requests, please contact Ivy at lewisir@hotmail.com

Because we want to stay in touch: Please remember to update your info with the office in the event that you move or change your email or phone number.

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